

Program

# The EU and Eastern Partnership Countries: An Inside-Out Analysis and Strategic Assessment

Opening Conference

June 08-10, 2016



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**Wednesday, 08 June 2016**

**Venue:** *Embassy of the Republic of Lithuania in Germany  
Charitéstraße 9, 10117 Berlin-Mitte*

**03:15 pm** Meeting in the hotel lobby. Transfer to the embassy.

**04:00 – 06:00 pm** Round table:  
**LOOKING INSIDE-OUT: STRATEGIES FOR TRANSFORMING THE NEIGHBOURHOOD**

*Moderator:*  
TANJA A. BÖRZEL, Freie Universität Berlin, EU-STRAT coordinator

*Panelists:*  
ELENA BELOKUROVA, EU-Russia Civil Society Forum, EU-STRAT Advisory Board Member

ANTOANETA DIMITROVA, Leiden University, EU-STRAT co-coordinator

ANDRIUS KUBILIUS, former Prime Minister of Lithuania, Member of the Seimas, Member of the International Advisory Panel on Ukraine, EU-STRAT Advisory Board Member

IGOR MUNTEANU, former Ambassador of Moldova to the US and Canada, Institute for Development and Social Initiatives, Moldova, EU-STRAT partner

EMMA UDWIN, Deputy Head of Cabinet, Commissioner for European Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations, European Commission

**06:00 – 07:00 pm** **Reception**

**Venue:** *Restaurant Habel am Reichstag, Luisenstr. 19, 10117 Berlin*

**07:30 pm** **Dinner**

**Thursday, 09 June 2016**

**Venue:** *Hotel Angleterre, Friedrichstraße 31, 10969 Berlin-Mitte, Room BIRMINGHAM*

**08:30 – 09:45 am** **Internal Consortium Meeting** (EU-STRAT partners)

**09:45 – 10:00 am** **Registration and Coffee**

**10:00 – 10:15 am** **WELCOME ADDRESS AND INTRODUCTORY REMARKS**  
TANJA A. BÖRZEL, Freie Universität Berlin, EU-STRAT coordinator;  
ANTOANETA DIMITROVA, Leiden University, EU-STRAT co-coordinator

10:15 – 11:15 am

**UNPACKING SOCIAL ORDERS IN THE EASTERN PARTNERSHIP COUNTRIES  
(WORK PACKAGE 2)**

*Chair:* MATTHEW FREAR, Leiden University, EU-STRAT partner

*Input:*

TANJA A. BÖRZEL, Freie Universität Berlin, EU-STRAT coordinator;  
JULIA LANGBEIN, Freie Universität Berlin, EU-STRAT partner;  
ESTHER ADEMMEER, Freie Universität Berlin, EU-STRAT partner;

*Discussants:*

MITCHELL ORENSTEIN, University of Pennsylvania, and  
ANTOANETA DIMITROVA, Leiden University, EU-STRAT co-coordinator

11:15 – 12:00 am

**SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION (WORK PACKAGE 7)**

*Chair:* DARIUS ŽERUOLIS, ESTEP, EU-STRAT partner

*Input:* INA RAMASHEUSKAYA, The School of Young Managers in Public Administration, and DIMITER TOSHKOV, Leiden University, EU-STRAT partners

*Discussant:* HONORATA MAZEPUS, Leiden University

12:00 – 01:30 pm

**Lunch**

01:30 – 02:30 pm

**BILATERAL, REGIONAL AND GLOBAL INTERDEPENDENCIES AND REGIME  
(IN)STABILITY IN THE EAP COUNTRIES (WORK PACKAGE 3)**

*Chair:* SZYMON KARDAŚ, Center for Eastern Studies, EU-STRAT partner

*Input:* ILDAR GAZIZULLIN, Ukrainian Institute for Public Policy, and  
RILKA DRAGNEWA-LEWERS, University of Birmingham, EU-STRAT partners

*Discussant:* ESTHER ADEMMEER, Freie Universität Berlin, EU-STRAT partner

02:30 – 03:40pm

**THE APPROACHES AND STRATEGIES OF THE EU AND ITS MEMBER STATES  
COMPARED TO OTHER EXTERNAL ACTORS (US, RUSSIA, CHINA, TURKEY, IFIs,  
NATO) (WORK PACKAGE 4)**

*Chair:* TATSIANA CHULITSKAYA, The School of Young Managers in Public Administration, EU-STRAT partner

*Input:* RAMŪNAS VILPIŠAUSKAS, Vilnius University; RAFAŁ SADOWSKI, Center for Eastern Studies, and DIRK LEHMKUHL, University of St Gallen, EU-STRAT partners

*Discussant:* MITCHELL ORENSTEIN, University of Pennsylvania, Member of EU-STRAT's Advisory Board

03:40 – 04:00 pm

**Coffee Break**

**04:10 pm** Meeting in the hotel lobby. Transfer to Palais am Festungsgraben.

**04:45 – 07:00 pm** **Team Building Event** (EU-STRAT consortium) at Palais am Festungsgraben, Am Festungsgraben 1, 10117 Berlin

**Venue:** **Trattoria Da Vinci, Friedrichstr. 30, 10969 Berlin**

**07:30 pm** **Dinner**

## Friday, 10 June 2016

**Venue:** **Hotel Angleterre, Friedrichstraße 31, 10969 Berlin-Mitte**

**09:00 – 09:30 am** **Steering Committee Meeting** (EU-STRAT coordinating team and team leaders), **Room EDINBURGH**

**09:30 – 10:30 am** **SOFT POWER, DISCOURSES AND THEIR RECEPTION: EU AND RUSSIA COMPARED (WORK PACKAGE 5), ROOM BIRMINGHAM**

*Chair:* DOVILĖ JAKNIŪNAITĖ, Vilnius University, EU-STRAT partner

*Input:*

ANTOANETA DIMITROVA, Leiden University, EU-STRAT co-coordinator;  
MATTHEW FREAR, Leiden University, EU-STRAT partner;  
DIMITER TOSHKOV, Leiden University, EU-STRAT partners

*Discussants:*

IGOR MUNTEANU, former Ambassador of Moldova to the US and Canada, Institute for Development and Social Initiatives, Moldova, EU-STRAT partner;  
ELENA BELOKUROVA, EU-Russia Civil Society Forum, EU-STRAT Advisory Board Member

**10:30 – 11:30 AM** **THE EU ENGAGEMENT AND ITS IMPACT: THE ASSOCIATION AGREEMENTS AND OTHER ENGAGEMENT STRATEGIES, PROGRAMMES AND TOOLS FOR THE NEIGHBOURHOOD (WORK PACKAGE 6), ROOM BIRMINGHAM**

*Chair:* MAXIM BORODA, Ukrainian Institute for Public Policy, EU-STRAT partner

*Input:* RILKA DRAGNEVA-LEWERS and KATARYNA WOLCZUK, University of Birmingham, and KLAUDIJUS MANIOKAS, ESTEP, EU-STRAT partners

*Discussants:*

ANDRIUS KUBILIUS, former Prime Minister of Lithuania, Member of the Seimas, Member of the International Advisory Panel on Ukraine;  
IRYNA SOLOMONENKO, Associate Fellow, German Council on Foreign Relations, EU-STRAT Advisory Board Members

11:30 – 12:15 pm

**Advisory Board Meeting, Room EDINBURGH**  
(EU-STRAT coordinators and advisory board members)

12:15 – 01:30 pm

**Lunch**

01:45 – 03:00 pm

**BREAK OUT SESSIONS** (EU-STRAT partners)

**WORK PACKAGE 2 (ROOM BIRMINGHAM)**  
Unpacking Social Orders in the Eastern Partnership Countries

**WORK PACKAGE 4 (ROOM EDINBURGH)**  
The Approaches and Strategies of the EU and its Member States Compared to Other External Actors (US, Russia, China, Turkey, IFIs, NATO)

**WORK PACKAGE 7 (ROOM BIRMINGHAM)**  
Scientific Cooperation

03:00 – 03:15 pm

**Coffee Break**

03:15 – 04:30 pm

**BREAK OUT SESSIONS**

**WORK PACKAGE 3 (ROOM BIRMINGHAM)**  
Bilateral, Regional and Global Interdependencies and Regime (In)Stability in the EaP Countries

**WORK PACKAGE 5 (ROOM EDINBURGH)**  
Soft Power, Discourses and Their Reception: EU and Russia Compared

**WORK PACKAGE 6 (ROOM BIRMINGHAM)**  
The EU Engagement and Its Impact: The Association Agreements and other Engagement Strategies, Programmes and Tools for the Neighbourhood

04:45 – 06:15 pm

**ETHICAL PRINCIPLES GUIDING EU-STRAT'S RESEARCH IN THE EASTERN NEIGHBOURHOOD AND DATA MANAGEMENT (ROOM BIRMINGHAM)**

*Input:* KATARYNA WOLCZUK, University of Birmingham, ANTOANETA DIMITROVA, Leiden University and DIRK LEHMKUHL, University of St. Gallen, Members of EU-STRAT's Ethics Committee

**Venue:**

***Restaurant Brachvogel, Carl-Herz-Ufer 34, 10961 Berlin-Kreuzberg***

06:30 pm

Meeting in the hotel lobby. Transfer to restaurant Brachvogel.

07:00 pm

**Dinner**